

Service Date: July 2, 1998

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER of the application)	UTILITY DIVISION
Of Linda Vista Water Company)	DOCKET NO. D98.4.84
For Approval to Add Tariffs for)	Default Order NO. 6077
Main Extensions)	

DEFAULT ORDER APPROVING WATER MAIN EXTENSION TARIFF

FINDING OF FACT

1. On April 14, 1998, Linda Vista Water Company filed an application requesting approval to add a water main extension policy to their tariff. This tariff would require that all main extensions on the Linda Vista water system be governed by the rules in the tariff, which fund such extensions through a 40-year advance contract. Linda Vista, in addition, has requested in it's application that it be allowed "to acquire existing mains already in service and connected to their service, as an advance contract under Rule 1". This tariff policy addition does not affect existing rates.

2. On May 22, 1998, the Montana Public Service Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity for Public Hearing.

3. On June 15, 1998, Linda Vista mailed out bill stuffers to their customers explaining their water main extension tariff request.

4. The PSC received no protests or requests for hearing. Having considered the application and the supporting documentation and deeming itself fully advised in the premises, the Commission makes the following Conclusions of Law:

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Linda Vista Water Company offers regulated water service in the state of Montana and is a public utility under § 69-3-102, MCA. The Montana Public Services Commission properly exercises jurisdiction over Linda Vista's tariff pursuant to Title 69, MCA.

2. The Commission has provided adequate public notice of this application and has provided an opportunity to be heard as required by § 69-3-303, MCA, and Title 2, Chapter 4, MCA.

ORDER

The water main extension policy tariff is hereby approved.
DONE IN OPEN SESSION at Helena, Montana, this 22nd day of June, 1998, by a vote of 5-0.

BY ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY MCCAFFREE, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

NOTE: You may be entitled to judicial review in this matter. Judicial review may be obtained by filing a petition for review within thirty (30) days of the service of this order. Section 2-4-702, MCA.